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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

- 1-4. (canceled)
- 5. (currently amended) A method of producing adenovirus, comprising:
- a) culturing host cells at a temperature below a physiological optimum for promoting host cell growth;
- b) infecting the host cells with an adenovirus, resulting in adenovirus-infected host cells;
- c) culturing the adenovirus-infected host cells at or near a physiologically optimum temperature for producing adenovirus, wherein the culture temperature is above the culture temperature in step a);
- d) harvesting virus adenovirus and/or cells containing virus adenovirus from the culture; and,
- e) purifying <u>virus</u> <u>adenovirus</u> away from host cell and culture contaminants, resulting in a purified <u>virus</u> <u>adenovirus</u> product.
- 6. (currently amended) A method of producing adenovirus, comprising:
- a) inoculating and culturing host cells in an appropriate medium at a temperature at or near a physiological optimum for host cell growth;
- b) shifting the temperature of the host cell culture of step a) to a temperature below a physiological optimum for host cell growth;
- c) infecting the host cells of step b) with a <u>an</u> adenovirus, resulting in adenovirusinfected host cells:
- d) culturing the adenovirus-infected host cells at or near a physiologically optimum temperature for producing adenovirus, wherein the culture temperature is above the culture temperature in step a);
- d) e) harvesting virus adenovirus and/or cells containing virus adenovirus from the culture; and,

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e) f) purifying virus adenovirus away from host cell and culture contaminants, resulting in a purified virus adenovirus product.

- 7. (original) A method according to claim 6 wherein the culture temperature in step b) is lowered to a temperature below a physiological optimum for up to the entire cell passages prior to infecting the host cells with the adenovirus.
- 8. (original) A method according to claim 6 wherein the culture temperature in step b) is lowered to a temperature below a physiological optimum for at least 24 hours prior to infecting the host cells with the adenovirus.
- 9. (currently amended) A method according to claim 6 wherein the temperature for cell growth in step b) is from between 31°C and to 34°C.
- 10. (currently amended) A method according to claim 7 wherein the temperature for cell growth in step b) is from between 31°C and to 34°C.
- 11. (currently amended) A method according to claim 8 wherein the temperature for cell growth in step b) is from between 31°C and to 34°C.
- 12. (currently amended) A method according to claim 7 wherein the temperature for cell growth in step a) is from between 35°C and to 38°C and the temperature for cell growth in step b) is from between 31°C and to 34°C.
- 13. (currently amended) A method according to claim 8 wherein the temperature for cell growth in step a) is from between 35°C and to 38°C and the temperature for cell growth in step b) is from between 31°C and to 34°C.
- 14. (currently amended) A method according to claim 7 wherein the temperature for cell growth in step a) is from between 35°C and to 38°C and the temperature for cell growth in step b) is from between 31°C and to 34°C and the temperature for growth of infected host cells of step c) is from about 36°C and to 38°C.
- 15. (currently amended) A method according to claim 8 wherein the temperature for cell growth in step a) is from between 35°C and to 38°C and the temperature for cell growth in step

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b) is from between 31°C and to 34°C and the temperature for growth of infected host cells of step

c) is from about 35°C and to 38°C.